



FLWEMS Paramedics Neonatal & Pediatric Protocol for the Management of:
MECONIUM COMPLICATIONS

Indications

To outline the paramedic care and management of the neonatal/pediatric patient with signs and symptoms of meconium complications during the neonatal resuscitation.

Procedure

1. **BEFORE STIMULATION** – Laryngoscopy and suction trachea with ET tube and aspirator.
2. Suction mouth first then nose with bulb syringe, continue this procedure as needed.
3. **POSITION** – Place patient on back in a slight trendelenburg then open the airway.
4. **STIMULATE** – Dry infant with a clean towel.
5. Ventilate with BVM at a rate of 40-60 breathes per minute with **Oxygen** 90-100%.
6. Secure an airway as outlined in FLWEMS Paramedics Neonatal & Pediatric Protocol for the Management of Airway & Ventilation and administer supplemental **Oxygen** as needed. Intubate neurologically depressed patient to prevent aspiration.
7. Apply cardiac monitor, pulse oximetry and/or capnometry as needed.
8. Utilize the "Broslow Tape" system for procedure and medication administration guidelines.
9. Establish IV or IO access.
10. IV Bolus **0.9% NaCL** at a rate of 20mL/kg.
11. Transport to appropriate Emergency Department.
12. Contact medical control for further orders as needed.

CAIRA/Chemical Surety Considerations

None

Triage Considerations

Refer to S.T.A.R.T. Triage Protocol

END OF SOP – NOTHING FOLLOWS